



# Senate Meeting

08/20/20

Virtual

8:30am

## I. Call to Order:

- a) 8:32

## II. Roll Call:

- a) Absent

- JD
- Kyla
- Haley

## III. Approval of the Minutes

- a) N/A

## IV. Approval of the Agenda

- a) Sierra: So, moved
- b) Mohomed: Second
- c) Motion passes

## V. New Business

- a) Childcare

- First reading done by Sierra
- Sarah: Entertain a motion to wave a second reading
  1. Sierra: So moved
  2. Sophia: Seconded
  3. Voting:
    - a. Sierra- Yes
    - b.
- Discussion:
  1. Mark: Thanks for everyone being here, I appreciate you all being here. The way this came about was that Chancellor Alexander came to us and he is interested in providing some sort of childcare. He became aware of the childcare fund that we created five years ago. He wanted to roll it out for this fall. He asked us to suspend the rules to pass this on the first reading so that students can start accessing it right away.
  2. Makayla: Why is it specifically just the Green Bay Campus not UWGB as a



whole?

- a. The funds have been only collected from the Green Bay campus. There is a separate Seg fee. This fall the chancellor is looking for private funds so we can offer similar services to other campuses and then in the long run we are looking at a similar fee so the other campuses can have the same.
    - Sarah: Entertain a motion to pass the resolution in full
      1. Sierra: So moved
      2. Makayla: Seconded
    - Discussion:
      1. Sierra: I think that it is a good idea for childcare at this campus even though this is a starting reimbursement. We have the fund for a reason so it would be really nice to be able to use it.
      2. Sarah: Adding off of that, it is really exciting. The chancellor approached us about this idea, and it is something that has been in the works for a while. This is a test run on how things will go. Hopefully things go well this semester and we can continue to evolve the program. I think it is really essential for this semester especially.
      3. G: Hello. What up. Building off of that, yeah its really interesting to see a chancellor want to take advantage of these funds and give the option to parents on campus. WE have been trying for so long to get this but there were so many issues and there wasn't any communication with administration. I had a different meeting and Chancellor Alexander asked what the child care fund is. And he wants childcare on campus.
      4. Pri: My committee and I had started working on editing the bylaws last semester than we went on a permanent break. I was always planning on trying to get this rolling, I'm really happy that Chancellor Alexander wanted to get involved. The need for childcare has to be reviced every five years and it was started in 2015 so we are starting a campus climate survey.
      5. Mark: childcare was an issue before I started at Green Bay which was 2001. It took a few years of really hard work to get the fund established. The goal was that there would be a childcare center on campus by now. There's been a lot of other issues so there hasn't been any funds. I'm glad that with a new chancellor in town, he thought we needed to do something. I appreciate that Chancellor Alexander wants to move on this especially this fall with schools being closed. This will be kind of a pilot to see how this goes. I expect that in September and October we will work out a few wrinkles and we will come back with a more detailed resolution.
    - Sarah: Roll Call vote to pass the resolution as it stands.
      1. Passes 5-0-0
- b) SGA COVID Operations
- Sarah: A little rundown on what we have talked about and we will continue to give your more information. All meetings are going to be virtual. All meetings will be



done over zoom or teams. WE would prefer committee chairs to have their meetings virtual as well so you can be socially distant but if you agree to have an in person meeting, we do have the suites open but there are peives of tape were you can sit and there are only a certain number people allowed. We know that OSL will be open in some capacity, but your meetings have to be socially distant. We are hoping to have a meeting the first week of classes, the 7<sup>th</sup>. We don't have an exact date; we were thinking Tuesday night, but Monday is Labor Day. We will probably send something out.

- Mark: If we are going to start looking at daytime hours it might be easier to do a doodle poll.
- Sarah: A doodle poll might be easier
- Pri: Will we be switching back to Mondays after this week?
- Sarah: Yes. Is there a specific day that will work better? Does Wednesday at 7:30 work better? Do we still want to send out a doodle poll? Are you able to send that out Mark?

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c) Future Meetings

- 1<sup>st</sup> week of class?
  1. Doodle poll being sent out concerning this.
- Monday, Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>
  1. This is the normal meeting time, 5:15pm. It is the executive retreat. We are encouraging senators to come and attend, and it will give an opportunity to see everyone even though it is still virtual.

VI. Announcements:

- a) G: Mark, were you the one that told me Org Smorg is doing some in person stuff, that its outside?
- Mark: That is the last version I heard, that they were going to do in Phoenix Park. We probably want to confirm with student life on when they are doing it and how to have a presence there.
- b) Makayla: Who is the senate point person right now?
- Sarah: We don't have a speaker of the senate just because we haven't done any elections yet. If you have any questions, you can relay them back to me until a speaker is put in place.



- Mark: The meeting the first week of classes will elect a speaker and introduce the executives.
- c) Mark: Keep checking your emails and email me if you have any more questions and concerns.
- d) G: Chancellor Alexander is really responsive to emails and student input. If you want to bring it directly to the chancellor or you have a serious question for administration.
  - Mark: He will be at the retreat on the 14<sup>th</sup>.
- e) G: I did talk to them earlier this week, Chancellor Alexander, Kate Burns, and Ben Juneo. They want a presence at every senate meeting and if they can't make it, they want someone from the office to be there to relay what was discussed so they can talk about it and bring it back to the next senate meeting.

VII. Adjournment:

- a) 9:10am
- b) Makayla: So moved
- c) Sophia: Seconded